(c) At present there is no such proposal under consideration of the Government. However, the beneficiaries of Kalibari dispensary are availing Emergency Service from Gole Market dispensary.

(d) In view of reply given at (c) above, the question does not arise.

(e) Due to financial constraints, it is not possible to provide Emergency Services in Kali Bari Dispensary at present.

Selection of Students for M.S. Studies

867. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of backward and most backward students who passed M.B.B.S. and were selected for M.S. studies by the Central Government during 1992 ; and

(b) whether Government propose to fix norms for selecting backward and most backward class M.B.B.S. students for M.S. course ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) The Government do not make any classification of the students passing M.B.B.S. examination in terms of backward or most backward students. The Central Government Medical Institutions are however, required to reserve 15% seats for Scheduled caste and 7.5% seats for Scheduled Tribe Candidates.

(b) Does not arise.

Mouth and Throat Cancer in Bihar

868. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an alarming rise in the number of mouth and throat cancer patients in Bihar ;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof with the number of mouth and throat cancer patients detected and undergoing treatment upto 31st March, 1992 in the State ; and

(c) what remedial action Government have taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) There is no specific information regarding the number of mouth and throat cancer patients in Bihar. The data collected under the National Cancer Registry Programme of the Indian Council of Medical Research do not indicate any increase in the incidents of Oral cancer over the years.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Autonomous Status to JIPMER

869. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the appeal of Anti-Conversion Action Committee of JIPMER Hospital, Pondicherry against reported proposal for converting JIPMER into an autonomous organisation ; and

(b) if so, the reasons for such proposal ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In order to achieve maximum functional efficiency and the over all growth of the Institute.

Reservation Policy of AIIMS

870. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that since 1975 upto 1990 sixteen posts of senior Residents in the ENT Department of AIIMS, New Delhi were filled and only one Scheduled Caste candidate was appointed amongst them in the year 1986 ;